Kansas Clean Diesel Program 2019 School Bus Replacements FAQs - 11/25/2019

1. What is the deadline for completing the project?

Answer: All project components must be complete by 9/31/2021. Project components include but are not limited to: Bid/quote process, written agreement completion, paid receipt of new equipment, photo documentation of old and new equipment, photo documentation of old bus and engine destruction.

2. When will you notify the awardees?

Answer: Early 2020 all applicants will be notified about award status.

3. If we have already applied for the rebate through EPA are district allowed to submit an application to KDHE?

Answer: Yes, districts may apply for both the EPA rebate and the KDHE award. However, if a district receives the EPA rebate **AND** the KDHE award then the separate funds must be used on **DIFFERENT** eligible bus projects.

4. How much is available for district owned school buses?

Answer: Approximately \$600,000. Funds are a mixture of EPA DERA allocated funds for states and the VW Trust allocated to Kansas.

5. Are activity buses eligible for award?

Answer: Daily route buses only please. Per EPA guidance document - For the purposes of the Program, buses include school buses of Type A, B, C and D. To be eligible as a school bus a vehicle should meet the definition of a school bus as defined by the National Highway Transportation Safety Administration. This definition includes, but is not limited to: 1) A bus that is used for purposes that included carrying students to and from school or related events on a regular basis; 2) Be identified with the words "School Bus"; and 3) Be painted National School Bus Glossy Yellow.

6. Can a district replace a diesel bus with a gasoline powered bus.

Answer: Yes, gasoline, alternative fuels (CNG, propane) and all-electric school buses are eligible as long as they are replacing a diesel-powered bus.

7. Do bus quotes have o be obtained before the application is submitted?

Answer: A formal quote is not necessary for the application, please use your best guess. There are some examples in the RFP (page 1) that may help with this.